

## Message Text

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ACTION SS-25

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O 251201Z FEB 77  
FM AMEMBASSY BONN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5917  
USMISSION USBERLIN IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L BONN 03432

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR PGOV US WB UK FR UR  
SUBJECT: ATTEMPTED SUICIDE BY HESS

REFS: (A) USBER 562; (B) BONN 3529

1. NEWS OF THE ATTEMPTED SUICIDE HAS  
REACHED THE PRESS AND THE FCO HAS RECEIVED QUERIES IN  
LONDON. THE UK EMBASSY HERE IS URGING THAT LONDON STICK  
WITH THE AGREED PRESS GUIDANCE AS STATED IN PARA 2,  
REF (A) -- THAT WE DO NOT COMMENT ON EVENTS TAKING PLACE  
WITHIN SPANDAU PRISON, BUT THAT HESS IS IN GOOD  
PHYSICAL CONDITION.

2. IN VIEW OF THE LEAK, BY TRIPARTITE  
AGREEMENT WE ARE NOW INFORMING THE FOREIGN OFFICE OF  
WHAT HAS TRANSPIRED ON AN URGENT BASIS.  
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## Message Attributes

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